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President Taft and Postmaster General Hitchcock were presented with seventeen boxes of Arizona oranges, as a Christmas gift, by President F. M. Murphy, of the Santa Fe, Prescott & Phoenix railroad, and T. C. M. company, which caused the Prescott Courier to remark: "It is hoped that these gentlemen will like the flavor of the oranges so well that they will not hand us a statehood lemon in return."

Government statistics show that in Arizona year in and year out there are more sunny days and less precipitation than in any other part of the entire United States. Arizona has never advertised herself as a health resort but for years leading physicians have advised their consumptive patients to go to the life giving mountains hills and plains of this land of pure air and almost perpetual sunshine.

Sick are made well in the invigorating climate of Tombstone and those in good health live longer than they would in any other section of the world. Health seekers sit up and take notice.

Robbing banks in Kansas seems to be easy money. Thirty jobs in three months have netted bandits over \$100,000. These bank revolutionists seem to be taking in more of the long green than banks.

Arizona just now is in the lime light of public opinion. Our new constitution is attracting a great deal of attention at home and abroad. The press of the country is discussing it. Our constitution is regarded by the progressive comment of the country as a long step in advance. They say we are going to establish a real democracy where the people will rule.

The girl who knows how to cook may sometimes have to get the meals while her sister entertains the young men in the parlor, but she is the kind the wise man will tie to.

The banks refuse to pay the express on silver dollars sent from the United States treasury. Uncle Sam, however, will have no trouble in finding others willing to pay the freight.

Porterhouse steaks are tenderloin of pork are again getting in smelling distance of the average citizen.

A lazy man seldom has good luck.

Be sure you are right—and then think it over awhile.

TERRITORIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST CONDENSED.

A special dispatch from Rockford, Illinois, states that Albert M. Sames, chairman of the republican territorial central committee, has arrived there with his mother. They are guests of Col. Frank Bertrand. Chairman Sames declares he found the situation in Washington just as it had been reported by Governor Sloan. He believes the only hope for statehood lies in the rejection of the constitution.

Colonel W. C. Land is in Tucson from Benson. He states that he expects to sell his property in Benson and build himself a home in Tucson for permanent residence.

The accounts of the county treasurer's office of Yavapai county have been checked up and show a balance of \$211,316.67 in the treasury, which is the largest sum in recent years on hand at the beginning of a year.

The Overland Telephone company of Phoenix has purchased the Arlington and Buckeye lines. They have already been cut into the Overland lines and made a part of the suburban service. The Overland now reaches every part of the country and has toll lines in all directions.

Plans for new power houses, additions to Salt River Valley Irrigation scheme and being paid for by farmers and land owners, are now ready for government approval. Work on power houses at Roosevelt Dam are also being rushed to completion.

A banquet, motor rides, and other forms of entertainment will be provided by the Masonic fraternity for the Masonic grand bodies which will constitute the grand lodge to be held in Tucson January 14.

Sixteen Mexican laborers avowed insurgents, left Prescott Monday for Mexico, stating that their sympathies were with the revolutionists. They stated they would enlist.

During the past few months many new dairies have been established in the Salt River Valley. Importations of splendid thoroughbreds to keep the high class of Valley stock are reported continually.

Additions to the Phoenix high school, making most modern structure in southwest will be commenced very shortly. New buildings will cost \$150,000. Institution will be polytechnic in nature.

Work has begun on Water Users building at Phoenix. The structure will cost \$300,000. Work on the new Adams Hotel was commenced this week and building will represent investment of about \$300,000. Opening of building expected to occur in September.

Franchise for electric line to cross new \$100,000 concrete bridge across Salt River (ready February 1911), and connecting Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa has been submitted to authorities for consideration.

Yesterday morning about 2 o'clock one of the passenger coaches of the United Verde & Pacific railroad at Jerome Junction was burned. The fire originated from a stove. An engine was coupled to it and pulled out of range of other property.

Death suddenly snatched away Julius, the year and a half old babe of Mr. and Mrs. John Trowbridge who live seven miles west of Phoenix in the Cartwright district. The child was drowned in a watering tank in the rear of the house.

Charged with maintaining an opium den, the first discovered in Tucson for several months, John H. Y. a Chinaman was arrested by Marshal Arnold following a raid. Two pounds of opium, and a full assortment of pipes, lamps and other smoking equipment, was seized as evidence.

Wm. Gustafson of Phoenix, was found dead in his room yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. Elliot at the corner of Thirtieth avenue and Buckeye. The discovery was made by John Bowles, a fellow lodger. Coroner Johnston was notified and an inquest was held resulting in the verdict that the cause of death was hemorrhage. Gustafson was a sufferer from tuberculosis. He was about thirty years of age.

E. H. Partridge chief clerk in the office of H. Lowton, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific of Mexico at Guaymas, is being mentioned as a possible successor to Ralph S. Stubbs. It is also reported that Chas. M. Burkhalter, former general passenger agent at Tucson, may return to accept the place.

Me. D. Kinchels of Bowie has received word from his mining company in New York City notifying him that active development work will begin at once on the Arizona Metal Mines.

Floors have been torn up in twelve rooms of the new National Bank of Arizona building at Phoenix by Contractor Clinton Campbell, because of the work of miscreants who had driven 250 nails through the joists and had hopelessly grounded the electric light wires. The expense of the repairs will be about \$2000.

Arthur P. Davis, engineer of the reclamation service, A. J. Wiley a consulting engineer, and F. E. Weymouth, supervising engineer for the Idaho district, are expected in Phoenix about the middle of January to inspect the Roosevelt project. From there they will go to Engle New Mexico.

W. A. Duhnen of Phoenix, the crack little third baseman of the Jewels yesterday signed a contract to play that position with the Muskogee, Oklahoma team of the western association. He will join the Muskogee team for spring practice about the middle of April. The feature of his playing is his speed and the ground he covers.

On or about Jan 15th 40 car loads of cattle from the Alamo Cattle company, will be passed by the Brady-Levin Custom brokers, of Nogales. The 1500 head make up the shipment to be sent to Reedy, Calif.

A telegram was today received from Charles Purdon in which he states that he is sending samples of the Purdon Sanitary Laundry bag as he has perfected it. This is taken to mean that he has made the arrangements for the manufacture of the bag with some large bag making house—International.

Delegate Cameron has introduced a bill in the house authorizing Phoenix to issue sewer bonds to the amount of \$60,000 for the purchase of the private sewer system of the Phoenix Sewage and Drainage company. Mr. Cameron also introduced the bill of Senator Flint of California which authorizes the exchange with the Cocomino Cattle company of land within the Cocomino national forest.

The Arizona & Sonora Mfg. Co. today loaded on to a car a Quinor gold recovery machine which has been ordered by a mining company in Calaveras county, California.

To render more accessible to Tucson an already populous district north and west of the present terminus of Stone avenue, property owners in that district are taking active steps for the construction of a suburban street car line at the cost of about \$15,000.

Within the next two weeks orders will be placed with an eastern foundry for foundry and other equipment for a 500-ton smelter to be installed within three miles of Tucson by the Arizona Consolidated Smelting and Mining company, according to H. J. Thompson who is prominently identified with the smelter project.

Within one week's time the Prescott National Bank received two bars of gold from the properties of the Tiger mining company, in the Bradshaw mountains. Concentrates from the same property are being shipped to the smelter.

Dr. T. R. White of Valentine is in Kingman last week. It is understood to be the intention of the Indian Department to provide food for the older Indians at Kingman and that someone will soon be placed in charge of the station. Dr. White visiting them regularly and prescribing for the ill among the tribe. The older Indians are becoming afflicted with the dreadful eye disease, trachoma, and every effort is now being made to stamp it out.

Good reports come from the properties of the United Gold Mines Company at Congress where the company's mill is running steadily with satisfactory results.

The Santa Fe railroad system has lowered Arizona freight rates from eastern points on general commodities and necessities of life. The reduction went into effect on the 2nd of this month.

Last Monday the Western Railway put on its daily train service between Kingman and Chloride. The service is good and the people are sure to give it their whole patronage.

The Kingman Steam Laundry was entirely destroyed by fire last week and the loss is \$7000.

Judge Kent rendered a modified decision respecting the case brought by Samuel Hayles against the board of trustees of the Phoenix school district to prevent them from carrying out the order segregating the negro school children from the whites by deciding that negro school children in the lower grades may attend the schools for whites, while provisions will be made for the segregation of the elder children.

At a meeting of the board of supervisors a franchise was granted R. G. Arthur of Douglas for an electric light and power plant at Benson. A company will be incorporated shortly with M. J. Cunningham, Pete Jensen, S. F. Mequire and William Adamson as incorporators.

Tucson people have renewed options on ground in that city for E. P. & S. W. terminals 'till the first of next March.

The first games of the Northern Arizona Baseball league will take place on April 30, the Williams team playing at Prescott and Flagstaff at Winslow. The first game on the Flagstaff diamond will be played on May 14, Flagstaff and Winslow being the competing teams.

The territorial board of bar examiners held a session at Phoenix, when the following named took the examination for admittance to practice in the various territorial courts: Chas. L. Hardy of Tucson, George F. Sonner of Phoenix, Jessie E. Crosby of Holbrook, Hugo, P. Lindsay of Phoenix, and Thomas F. Walton of Phoenix.

Mrs. J. A. Kelsey of Yuma has received word from Ingalls, New Mexico that her husband who was working in a contractors' camp at that place, was blown up and killed by a premature explosion a few days ago.

With 79 votes for and 57 against, the proposed issue of \$90,000 worth of municipal bonds for the construction of a sewer system for Yuma, failed yesterday of the necessary two-thirds and the project was therefore defeated.

The beheaded corpse of an unknown man was picked up on the S. P. track at Amole Siding, 13 miles west of Benson, last Wednesday and taken to Tucson for burial.

Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Morrison returned yesterday from the California oil fields, where the Benson people took stock. The doctor likes it. He has already taken 10,000 shares and will take more. He has been elected vice president of the company.—Benson Press.

Due to the fact that the board of health has requested the Sabbath schools to discontinue their services for a few weeks, the Presbyterian Sabbath school at Flagstaff will be closed until January 22.

William Lane a business man of Camp Verde, an old timer in that section died there last week. Deceased was a native of Tennessee and was 60 years of age.

By the filing yesterday in the records office at Flagstaff of the renewal of articles of incorporation of the Humboldt and Verde Valley railway company, interest is revived in the proposed railroad, the corporate existence of which is extended for 50 years, and the capitalization advanced from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

The Southwestern individual championship golf meet will be held at Douglas on January 21. Invitations have already been sent out to all golf clubs in Arizona.

Governor R. E. Sloan is expected at Globe this week on an inspection of the Roosevelt road.

Charged with fighting but suspected of other offenses, two Italians giving the names of A. Pedri and Luis Pedal were arrested by the police in a hotel at Tucson the other night and fined \$50 and costs each in police court. They seemed glad to get off at that and left at once for the coast. The two men had almost \$600 in money on them and two big diamonds one of which was pronounced bogus and the other genuine. They also had receipts for deposits of other sums running well toward \$2000, just who the men were or what their game was could not be learned.

The president has sent the nominations of the following postmasters to the senate: Fredrick W. Smith, reappointed at Williams; John Witherlay, vice John K. Bochtigner at Wickburg, term expired; Ella C. Clark of Florence reappointed; Nelson Ernest Brandon, vice Scheerer, resigned, Pirtleville; Joseph Defebre, vice J. J. Langford, resigned.

From Wednesday's Daily

Among the travelling men in Tombstone today on commercial business were noted W. J. Connell of Omaha, Nebraska, J. R. Knight, El Paso; Paul Gordon, Denver, and Robert A. Holly, of Los Angeles.

A. Miller was among the visitors in Tombstone today from Tucson on a brief business mission.

George Burton of Douglas is among the arrivals in the county seat today from the Smelter City on a business trip.

Frank Henshaw is in town today from his home in Bisbee and will be here for several days.

County Auditor Vaughn is busily engaged this week in auditing the books in the supervisors office.

William R. Shadley and S. P. Jones are in the county seat today from Fort Huachuca, having arrived here this morning.

News has been received by Tombstone friends that Mrs. Ed. Barker formerly of Tombstone and Bisbee died at Hamburg, Germany, on December 23 and her remains cremated on Christmas day.

C. C. Fray, the fireman on the Tombstone branch of the E. P. & S. W. went to Douglas today on a brief lay off, and during his absence Fireman Spindle of Douglas is taking his place.

Frank Winters went to Charleston this morning in quest of ducks, and returned home on the noon train with several mallards.

County School Superintendent E. H. Stover is visiting the schools in the southern part of the county this week.

Dominic Cima left yesterday for Nixa, Mexico, where he has accepted a responsible position with a mining company operating in that district.

Second Invitation To Col. Roosevelt

The Tucson Chamber of Commerce has renewed its invitation to Col. Theodore Roosevelt in connection with his coming trip to Arizona. Having failed to get any response to its invitation to visit Tucson to the former president October 25, another letter has been sent him, in which the unnoticed one is enclosed. It is considered that the invitation was accidentally overlooked and not intentionally ignored by the former president and his secretaries.

Col. Roosevelt is expected to visit Arizona on the occasion of the opening of the Roosevelt dam next spring, and Tucson wants a visit from him. Mrs. Roosevelt is expected to make the trip also.

The Chamber of Commerce in its invitation told Col. Roosevelt of the existence of the University of Arizona in Tucson asked him to visit the university and make an address.

Arizona Stockmen In Attendance

Between 40 and 50 Arizona cattle growers will attend the annual convention of the National Live Stock association held in Fort Worth, Texas this week. Two addresses will be made by Arizonians. The speakers are Dwight B. Heard of Phoenix and Prof. J. J. Thorber of the University of Arizona at Tucson, both of whom will talk upon "Proper Conservation of Public Grazing Lands." Mr. Heard, who is the chairman of the grazing committee of the association, has been asked to take charge of that part of the convention's work which pertains to grazing.

Today will be given over entirely to a discussion of the grazing question, which is one of the most vital and important which confronts the cattle growers of this country. The National Live Stock association advocates the leasing of all public lands as a means of preventing overstocking of the public range. The grazing question is undoubtedly the most important which the convention will take up for discussion and therefore Mr. Heard will be one of the most important of all the stockgrowers who take part.

Following are a few of the stockgrowers who will go from this territory: Dwight B. Heard, Phoenix; W. H. Perkins, Yavapai county; Geo. Pusch, Tucson; W. H. Slaughter, Douglas, Los Harmon, W. W. Cook, Merlu Cartwright, Phoenix.

A Peculiar Product

Of the Soil

One of the most peculiar products of the soil that has come to our notice in recent years comes from Ramsey Canyon in the Huachuca mountains, and it is a combination nut, half English walnut and half common mountain oak—in other words—the grafting of an English walnut into a scrub mountain oak, such as abounds in Arizona mountains, particularly in that region.

The nuts produced by this grafting process are remarkable, not only in color but in flavor, one half of the bark is dark, almost black and the other a light brown, and it is a most delicious tasting nut. The nuts were grown in the orchard of William J. Berner and he has a large orchard of these trees.

Mr. Berner has lived in that section for many years and he has, without doubt, some of the finest pear, peach and apple trees in the United States. The place is 6000 feet above sea level and the climate is superb. Judge W. H. Stillwell, who is an old friend of Berner gave the Phoenix board of trade several specimens of these nuts and they are worthy of investigation, as they certainly are a curious compound and also a sweet, thrifty, delicious nut.

Revolution is On In Earnest

Frank Dean the well known mining engineer, returned to Tombstone today from Cerro Prieto, Chihuahua, Mexico, where he has been since the latter part of November examining various mining properties for the Western Mines & Development company of Chicago, and will remain in the city until Saturday before starting for Chicago to make his report.

When asked about the conditions existing in Mexico at this time in regards to the revolution now in progress Mr. Dean stated that the fight was on in earnest, and from what he saw and heard, there was very little doubt but that the insurgents were gaining some ground and also that they were enlisting recruits from all sections of the republic.

He stated that while in camp on the evening of December 17, he and his companions were awakened by several armed Mexicans and were requested to hand over their rifles and together with what ammunition they had, and in return received a receipt for the same in addition to \$40 Mexican currency, and before leaving the camp cooked themselves some eatables and disappeared.

Mr. Dean further remarked that while in the town of Chihuahua he learned that the revolutionists were arming the Yaqui Indians in the state of Sinaloa, and that it would be but a brief space of time before the federal troops would have their hands full in that state, as the outbreak is scheduled for some time this month.

"There is no doubt," said Mr. Dean "but what Americans are associated with the insurgents, because of the fact that several machine guns were seen by myself and fellow engineers in the mountains near our camp, and although we did not venture very far into the surr unding country, several times we had occasion to meet three

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middle aged gentlemen, who bid us the time of the day, and they were either going or coming from the spot where the machine guns were secluded."

"A week ago last Saturday morning," continued Mr. Dean, "we heard shooting which lasted several hours, and finally came to the conclusion that the Americans were teaching the insurgents how to handle the guns, but towards evening, we were surprised to learn from a frightened peasant that the revolutionists had been shelling a ranch house in the vicinity, killing its three occupants, and you can bet it did not take us very long to break camp and make our way back to Chihuahua, as we were without arms or ammunition, having been relieved of them some time before."

DELINQUENT TAX ROLL WILL BE LIGHT

It is understood that the delinquent tax roll of Cochise county for the year 1910 will not exceed \$50,000. The roll will soon be made up by Clerk Berner of the Board of Supervisors.

Some startling and highly interesting statements were made at the annual meeting of the Phoenix Humane society Friday evening. Humane Officer J. W. Canning reported that in the last four weeks he had killed thirteen horses and one cow because of old age and disability. Many of the horses were comparatively young but crippled.

Ransom S. Page, for two seasons a member of the Globe baseball team died of tuberculosis. He had been afflicted with the disease for some time, but his condition became hopeless after he had undergone an operation last October. Since that time he gradually failed and his death was not unexpected.

Jack Williams, the dynamite expert, who went to El Paso a few days ago with four others, to perform the dangerous task of removing the large amount of unexploded dynamite from the slag dump where seven men were killed, has returned to Bisbee. His mission was entirely successful, the dynamite thus taken from the slag dump had to be exploded in the open, as it neither could be used again nor be sold. It was all hot and practically ruined for commercial purposes.

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